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July 19, 1999

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### UNDERGROUND TANK CASE CLOSURE FORMER CHRYSLER NU-CAR PREP FACILITY - LASALLE PROPERTY 12310 SLAUSON AVENUE, SANTA FE SPRINGS (SLIC NO. 197B)

Dear Mr. Adams:

This letter confirms the completion of the site investigation and remedial action for the underground storage tank(s) formerly located at the above-described location. Thank you for your cooperation throughout this investigation. Your willingness and promptness in responding to our inquiries concerning the underground storage tanks is greatly appreciated.

Based on the available information and with the provision that the information provided to this agency was accurate and representative of site conditions, no further action related to the underground storage tank release is required. This notice is issued pursuant to a regulation contained in Section 2721(e) of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

Because the groundwater is impacted with chlorinated volatile organic compound, we recommend that you retain all or some of the existing groundwater monitoring wells for future monitoring purposes. However, if you choose to abandon the existing groundwater monitoring wells or vapor extraction wells at the subject property, you must comply with the following:

1. All wells to be abandoned must be properly located.
2. Well abandonment permits must be obtained from Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (LACDHS). Water Well Permits, and all other necessary permits must be obtained from the appropriate agencies prior to the start of work. Any wells not abandoned must be maintained in accordance with LACDHS requirements.
3. You must submit a report on the abandonment of the wells to this office by August 19, 1999. This report must include, at a minimum, a site map, a description of the well abandonment process, and copies of all signed permits. For wells not abandoned, please provide the rationale for keeping the wells in place.

Please contact Ms. Jenny M. Au at (213) 576-6734 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

DENNIS A. DICKERSON  
Executive Officer

*James D. Kuykendall*  
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Assistant Executive Officer

cc: Mr. Steve Chase, Santa Fe Springs Fire Dept.  
Ms. Debbie Stott, Dames & Moore

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Ms. Jenny Au  
California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Los Angeles Region  
101 Centre Plaza Drive  
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Re: Chrysler Nu-Car Prep Facility  
LaSalle Property  
12310 East Slauson Avenue  
Santa Fe Springs, California  
SLIC No. 197D

Dear Ms. Au:

On behalf of Catellus Development Corporation Dames & Moore has prepared this letter regarding the removal of underground storage tanks from the former Chrysler Nu Car Prep facility. This portion of the former 40 acre Chrysler property was redeveloped with a large tilt-up style warehouse in the early 1990's.

Two 6,000 gallon USTs operated by Chrysler were removed from the LaSalle parcel in 1988 by Petroleum Industry Consultants (PIC) (Dames & Moore, January 10, 1992). PIC reported that no visual or olfactory evidence of soil contamination was observed. PIC collected two soil samples from two feet beneath the base of each UST and analyzed each sample for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) by EPA Method 8015 gas. Laboratory results did not indicate the presence of TPH at elevated levels in the samples. No further investigation or remedial activities took place.

It is Dames & Moore's opinion that based on this limited information, the length of time that has passed in which natural attenuation can take place, and the groundwater monitoring that has occurred recently and in the past indicating no fuel constituents in groundwater, no further action related to these former USTs is required.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Yours truly,  
Dames & Moore

Debbie Stott  
Senior Geologist

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UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK  
CASE REVIEW FORM

Date: 7/13/1999	LUSTIS file no.:	Case reviewer: Jenny Au	
Site Name/Address: Chrysler Nu-Car - La Salle Prop. 12310 Slauson Avenue Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670	Responsible parties: Catellus Development Mr. James A. Adams	Address: 201 Mission St., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor San Francisco, CA 94105	Phone no.: (415) 974-4507

## I. CASE INFORMATION (N/A = Not Applicable)

Tank No.	Size in Gallons	Contents	Closed in-place/Removed?	Date
1	6,000	Gasoline	removed	3/16/88
2	6,000	Gasoline	removed	3/16/88

## II. SITE CHARACTERIZATION INFORMATION (GW=groundwater, -- =Not Reported)

GW Basin: Central	Beneficial uses: MUN, IND, PROC, AGR	Depth to drinking water aquifer: 200 ft Page 135
Distance to nearest municipal supply well: ~ 3.4 mile Staff reviewed the Productol SLIC file and identified a City of Santa Fe Springs active drinking water well (Well #1) w/in 1/4 mile of the site. The total depth of the well is 900 feet with screening intervals of 200 to 288 and 300 to 900 feet BGS.		Distance between known shallow GW contamination and aquifer: ~ 168ft
GW highest depth: 33	GW lowest depth: 37	Well screen interval: 30 to 50 ft BGS
Soil types: clayey silt		Flow direction: south/south west
		Maximum soil depth sampled: 29 ft

## III. MAXIMUM DOCUMENTED CONTAMINANT CONCENTRATIONS - Initial and Latest (ND=Non-detect; NRQ=Not required)

Contaminant	Soil (mg/kg)		Water (µg/L)		Contaminant	Soil (mg/kg)		Water (µg/L)	
	Initial 1988	Latest 1991	Initial 4/91	Latest 10/91		Initial	Latest 1991	Initial 1991	Latest 1999
TF	<1.0	<0.2	140	<50	Ethylbenzene		<0.005	<0.5	<0.5
TF			1,000	<50	Xylenes		<0.005	<0.5	<0.5
Be		<0.005	<0.5	<0.5	MTBE		N/A	N/A	<1.0
Toluene		<0.005	5.8	<0.5	Others (see VIII)				

## IV. SOIL REMEDIATION

Method: excavation	Duration of remediation: N/A
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## V. GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION

Method: N/A	Duration of remediation: N/A
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## VI. FREE PRODUCT:

Was free product encountered? No	Has free product been totally recovered? N/A
When was free product recovery project completed? N/A	

## VII. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Soil Closure only: No	Case Closure: Yes	Solvent Case? Yes
Additional Action Required (i.e.: additional site assessment, remediation, monitoring): None		

VIII. COMMENTS AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Site is located at 12310 East Slauson Avenue in the City of Santa Fe Springs. The Site is a ten-acre parcel that was part of the forty-acre Chrysler Nu-car preparation facility. The historical uses for the Site include agricultural purposes prior to the early 1960s, and automobile storage and new car preparation between 1965 to 1988. In 1988, Chrysler discontinued operations at the Site and Catellus developed the Site into a warehouse. The Site is currently a paper distribution facility. Currently, there are no active USTs at this Site.

The areas of concern (AOCs) included two 6,000 gallon gasoline USTs, four hydraulic hoists, two service pits, and two clarifiers. The USTs, hydraulic hoists, service pits, and clarifiers were removed in 1988 during site demolition activities. Soil sampling data collected below the excavations indicated low levels of TPH. In May and December 1991, Dames & Moore performed two soil investigations by installing ten borings (B1 through B6 and A1 and A4) in the locations of the former source areas or AOCs. Soil sampling data collected from these ten borings were analyzed for TPH, VOCs, metals, and SVOCs. Analytical data indicated non-detectable results for TPH and SVOCs, and low levels of lead and PCE, up to 8 mg/kg and 0.009 mg/kg, respectively.

Gw samples collected from seven on-site wells in April 1991 indicated TPH, VOCs, and metals. The highest TPHg and TPHd concentrations detected were 140 µg/L and 1,000 µg/L, respectively. PCE, TCE, 1,2DCA and chromium were detected at concentrations above the MCLs, up to 280 µg/L, 22 µg/L, 1.6 µg/L, and 300 µg/L, respectively. The highest PCE and TCE concentrations were detected in MW-2, which was a cross-gradient well from the AOCs based on groundwater elevation measurements. The highest chromium concentration detected was detected in GW-6 which was an upgradient well.

In October 1991, Dames & Moore installed two additional wells (MW-7 & MW-8) on-site. GW sampling data collected in October 1991 indicated < 50 µg/L for TPH, up to 540 µg/L of PCE, 41 µg/L of TCE, 54 µg/L of 1,2 DCE, and 64 µg/L of chromium. Elevated levels of PCE, TCE, and 1,2 DCE were detected in MW-2, which is located cross gradient from the former AOCs. The highest chromium detected was from MW-7, which is located upgradient of the former AOCs.

Staff has determined that the source for VOCs and metals detected in on-site wells are likely from off-site, based upon results of soil samples collected in the former AOCs and groundwater data collected from on-site wells. It is likely that the source of groundwater contamination detected in MW-2 is a former clarifier located on the Central Parcel, which is not part of this Site. **Hence, staff recommended and issued an NFA letter for the hydraulic hoists, service pits, and clarifiers at the Site.**

In April 1999, Dames & Moore used geoprobe to collect two groundwater samples at the Site. Previous groundwater elevation data indicated that the direction of groundwater flow at the site was southwest. Current groundwater elevation data indicate the same flow direction. Therefore, GB-1 was located down gradient of the two former 6,000-gallon gasoline USTs and GB-2 was located upgradient of the former AOCs. The purpose of this sampling event was to verify the presence/absence of MTBE in the groundwater at the site. Groundwater sampling data from GB-1 and GB-2 indicated < 1.0 µg/L of MTBE.

AB 681 information submitted indicates that the property owner is Catellus Development, also the responsible party. This Site is reviewed and evaluated using a Level 3 review.

Due to non-detectable hydrocarbon concentrations and the distance from the perched groundwater to the water bearing aquifer, the site, as it poses no immediate threat to groundwater quality. Staff recommends that an NFA letter be issued for the site related to the USTs.

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May 14, 1999

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Re: 12310 Slauson Avenue  
Santa Fe Springs, CA  
Groundwater Sampling for MTBE  
Dames & Moore Job No. 14858-179-042

Dear Ms. Au:

Dames & Moore is pleased to present this letter summarizing the Groundwater Sampling performed at the property located on 12310 Slauson Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California. The subject property is identified as the La Salle property. The scope of the services performed was based on potential environmental concerns associated with the former presence of underground fuel storage tanks, and was performed in accordance with a request from the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB).

The purpose of this investigation was to evaluate for the presence of methyl-tert butyl ether (MTBE) in groundwater beneath the subject property. On April 28, 1999, Dames & Moore personnel performed the Groundwater Sampling at the site. Groundwater sampling was accomplished using a truck-mounted, hydraulic, direct push rig. Dames & Moore personnel were present to sample the groundwater. Dames & Moore performed the following tasks:

- Advanced one boring (GB-1) to a depth of 33 feet below ground surface (bgs) between monitoring wells MW-2 and MW-3. These monitoring wells are located in an downgradient position, on the western corner of the subject property.
- Advanced one boring (GB-2) to a depth of 35 feet below ground surface (bgs) adjacent to monitoring well MW-7. The monitoring well is located in an upgradient position, on the northeastern corner of the subject property.

A groundwater sample was collected using gravity-driven suction and new plastic tubing. Groundwater was encountered at approximately 33 feet bgs in GB-1 and 35 feet bgs in GB-2. One

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groundwater sample was collected from each boring. A split sample from GB-1 was given to Ms. Jenny Au, who was onsite during the sampling activities. Upon completion, the borings were filled with bentonite and the surface was patched with asphalt to match the existing surfacing material. The water samples were preserved on ice (in a cooler) and sent via courier to Centrum Analytical Laboratories in Redlands, California.

MTBE was not detected above the laboratory detection limit in the two groundwater samples. Other VOCs were detected in both groundwater samples.

Compounds ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	GB-1	GB-2
Chloroform	0.7	ND
1,1,-Dichloroethene	16	ND
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	2.0	ND
Tetrachloroethene (TCE)	57	ND
Toluene	0.6	0.6
Trichloroethene (PCE)	97	ND
Trichlorofluoromethane	30	ND
Trichlorotrifluoroethane	68	ND

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We trust this letter provides you with the information you require at this time. Should you have any questions regarding the information presented in this letter, or need further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

DAMES & MOORE



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Geologist



Debra B. Stott, R.G.  
Senior Geologist

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Attachment: Laboratory Results

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# Centrum Analytical Laboratories, Inc.

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Client: Dames and Moore  
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Date Sampled: 04/28/99  
Date Received: 04/28/99  
Job Number: 14823

Project: La Salle Property

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## CASE NARRATIVE

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The following information applies to samples which were received on 04/28/99 :

The samples were received at the laboratory chilled and sample containers were intact.

Unless otherwise noted below, the Quality Control acceptance criteria were met for all samples for every analysis requested.

Report approved by

Robert R. Clark, Ph.D.  
Laboratory Director

ELAP # 1184

DL Detection Limit -- The lowest level at which the compound can reliably be detected under normal laboratory conditions.  
ND Not Detected -- The compound was analyzed for but was not found to be present at or above the detection limit.  
NA Not Analyzed -- Per client request, this analyte was not on the list of compounds to be analyzed for.



**EPA 8260 - Volatile Organics**

Client: Dames and Moore  
 Project: La Salle Property  
 Job No: 14823  
 Matrix: Water  
 Analyst: JMR

Date Sampled: 04/28/99  
 Date Received: 04/28/99  
 Date Analyzed: 05/02/99  
 Batch Number: 8260W1667

Compounds	Sample ID: DL	Blank $\mu\text{g/L}$	GB-1 $\mu\text{g/L}$	GB-2 $\mu\text{g/L}$
Acetone	50	ND	ND	ND
Benzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Bromobenzene	1.0	ND	ND	ND
Bromochloromethane	1.0	ND	ND	ND
Bromodichloromethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Bromoform	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Bromomethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
2-Butanone (MEK)	10	ND	ND	ND
n-Butylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
sec-Butylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
tert-Butylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Carbon disulfide	10	ND	ND	ND
Carbon tetrachloride	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Chlorobenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Chloroethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Chloroform	0.5	ND	0.7	ND
Chloromethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
2-Chlorotoluene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
4-Chlorotoluene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Dibromochloromethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dibromoethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	10	ND	ND	ND
Dibromomethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Dichlorodifluoromethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloroethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dichloroethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloroethene	0.5	ND	16	ND
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	0.5	ND	2.0	ND
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dichloropropane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,3-Dichloropropane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
2,2-Dichloropropane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloropropene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	0.5	ND	ND	ND

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Date Sampled: 04/28/99  
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 Date Analyzed: 05/02/99  
 Batch Number: 8260W1667

	Sample ID:	Blank	GB-1	GB-2
Compounds	DL	µg/L	µg/L	µg/L
Ethylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Hexachlorobutadiene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
2-Hexanone	10	ND	ND	ND
Isopropylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
p-Isopropyltoluene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Methylene chloride	10	ND	ND	ND
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	5.0	ND	ND	ND
Methyl-tert-butyl ether (MtBE)	1.0	ND	ND	ND
Napthalene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
n-Propylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Styrene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	1.0	ND	ND	ND
Tetrachloroethene	0.5	ND	57	ND
Toluene	0.5	ND	0.6	0.6
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Trichloroethene	0.5	ND	97	ND
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Trichlorofluoromethane	0.5	ND	30	ND
Trichlorotrifluoroethane	5.0	ND	68	ND
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Vinyl chloride	0.5	ND	ND	ND
Xylenes (total)	1.5	ND	ND	ND

**Surrogates (% recovery) Limits: 80 - 130**

	Sample ID:	Blank	GB-1	GB-2
Dibromofluoromethane		103	107	105
Toluene-d8		96	98	101
Bromofluorobenzene		106	102	108

## QC Sample Report - EPA Method 8260

Matrix: Water  
Batch #: 8260W1667

### Batch Accuracy Results

Sample ID: Laboratory Control Sample

Analyte	Spike Concentration µg/L	% Recovery LCS	Acceptance Limits % Recovery	Pass/Fail
1,1-Dichloroethene	20.0	86	59 - 172	Pass
Benzene	20.0	96	66 - 142	Pass
Trichloroethene	20.0	94	71 - 137	Pass
Toluene	20.0	96	59 - 139	Pass
Chlorobenzene	20.0	104	60 - 133	Pass

Analytical Notes:

### Batch Precision Results

MS/MSD Sample ID: Laboratory Control Sample

Analyte	Spike Sample Recovery µg/L	Spike Duplicate Recovery µg/L	Relative Percent Difference (RPD)	Upper Control Limit RPD	Pass/Fail
1,1-Dichloroethene	17.3	18.4	6%	22%	Pass
Benzene	19.1	20.0	4%	21%	Pass
Trichloroethene	18.7	20.8	11%	24%	Pass
Toluene	19.3	19.5	1%	21%	Pass
Chlorobenzene	20.7	20.3	2%	21%	Pass

Analytical Notes:

MS: Matrix Spike Sample  
MSD: Matrix Spike Duplicate



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March 23, 1999

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**CHRYSLER NU-CAR PREP FACILITY - LA SALLE PROPERTY - 12310 EAST SLAUSON AVENUE, SANTA FE SPRINGS (SLIC NO. 197B)**

Dear Mr. Adams:

We have reviewed the following site assessment reports submitted for the above-mentioned site:

- Dames & Moore Phase II Environmental Assessment, dated 5/10/91.
- Dames & Moore Phase II Environmental Assessment Addendum, dated 12/13/91.
- Petroleum Industry Consultants Tank Removal Report, dated 3/31/88.
- McLaren Hart Executive Summary, dated 4/27/90.

The La Salle Property (Site) is a ten-acre parcel that was a part of the forty-acre Chrysler Nu-car Preparation facility. The historical uses for the Site include agricultural purposes prior to the early 1960s, and automobile storage and new car preparation between 1965 to 1988. In 1988, Chrysler discontinued operations at the Site. The Site is currently being used as a paper distribution facility.

From the early 1970s to 1988, two main buildings (Buildings 1 and 2) occupied the southern portion of the Site. Building 1 contained the Emission Control Testing System (Cold Start Area) and included three hydraulic service hoists and two concrete-lined service pits, and a 1,000-gallon underground concrete clarifier. Building 2 also contained the Emission Control Testing System (Hot Start Area) and included a hydraulic hoist, two 6,000-gallon gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs), and a 500-gallon underground concrete clarifier.

Two USTs, four hydraulic hoists, two service pits, and two clarifiers were removed from the Site in 1988. Soil sampling data collected below the excavations indicate low levels of petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH). In May and December 1991, Dames & Moore performed two soil and investigations by installing ten borings (B1 through B6 and A1 through A4) in the locations of the former source areas. Soil sampling data collected from these ten borings were analyzed for TPH, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), metals, and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs). Analytical data indicate non-detectable results for TPH and SVOCs, and low levels of lead and tetrachloroethene, up to 8 mg/kg and 6 µg/kg, respectively.

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Mr. Adams

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March 23, 1999

Based upon the above data, we require no further action relating to the former four hydraulic hoists, two service pits, and two clarifiers, located at this site. The two USTs will be addressed in a separate closure letter.

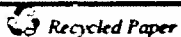
If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jenny M. Au at (213) 576-6734.

Sincerely,

  
James D. Kuykendall  
Assistant Executive Officer

Cc: Ms. Debra Stott, Dames & Moore

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